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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2787

As Amended by House Committee of the Whole

Brief*

HB 2787 establishes procedures for a recreation commission which was established by a school district to continue in existence upon the consolidation of the school district with another school district.

The bill provides the recreation commission would continue to have a tax levied on its behalf against the property of the former USD upon the event of the consolidation of the two USDs. The bill also establishes a procedure for the expansion of the recreation district to include the full territory of the consolidated school district.

The option of expansion would require approval of the electors in the area not part of the current recreation commission.

The House Committee amended the bill to apply only to the Lyons and Lorraine USDs. The House Committee of the Whole deleted the specific references to the Lyons and Lorraine USDs and made the laws apply whenever a recreation commission was affected by the consolidation of two school districts.

Background

The sponsor said the Lyons and Lorraine USDs are considering consolidation and the legal status of the Lyons Recreation Commission needed to be clarified. Representatives of the Kansas Association of School Boards and the Kansas Recreation and Park Association said they had no position on the bill, but felt further deliberations were needed before statewide rules were enacted.

^{*}Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at http://www.accesskansas.org/legislature/

The bill has no fiscal impact.